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Applicants: Samara et al.

Title: A METHOD AND APPARATUS  
FOR SECONDARY CAPTURE  
OF 3D BASED IMAGES ON A  
PICTURE ARCHIVAL AND  
COMMUNICATIONS (PACS)  
SYSTEM

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This communication is responsive to the Final Office Action dated January 29, 2004, concerning the above-referenced patent application.

**REMARKS**

Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the present application in view of the foregoing amendments and in view of the reasons that follow.

In response to the Examiner's Advisory Action dated January 29, 2004, the Examiner refused to consider the affidavit under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131(b) as it was not timely filed and it appeared insufficient. Applicants herewith resubmit the Reply originally mailed on January 9, 2004 in which the Applicants submitted a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. § 1.131. Applicants contend that the inclusion of the Declaration with this RCE renders the Declaration timely.